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Daniel R. Bales Honored by Chamber

"It was probably the best turnout I have ever seen for a Person of the Year Award from the Chamber of Commerce," remarked Mayor Beverly McAnally about the banquet given last Friday in honor of Daniel R. Bales.

Bales was selected last October as the Romulus Chamber of Commerce 'Person of the Year.' It is a very prestigious award, and one that any recipient can be proud to have.

Mr. Bales, the Regional Manager for Universal AM-CAM Division, a part of Transport Central (a locally based trucking company), has lived in Romulus for 20 years, and all 20 of those years have been devoted to helping other people, especially children. He is also a member of the Romulus Board of Education, on which he has served, in one capacity or another, for the last eight years.

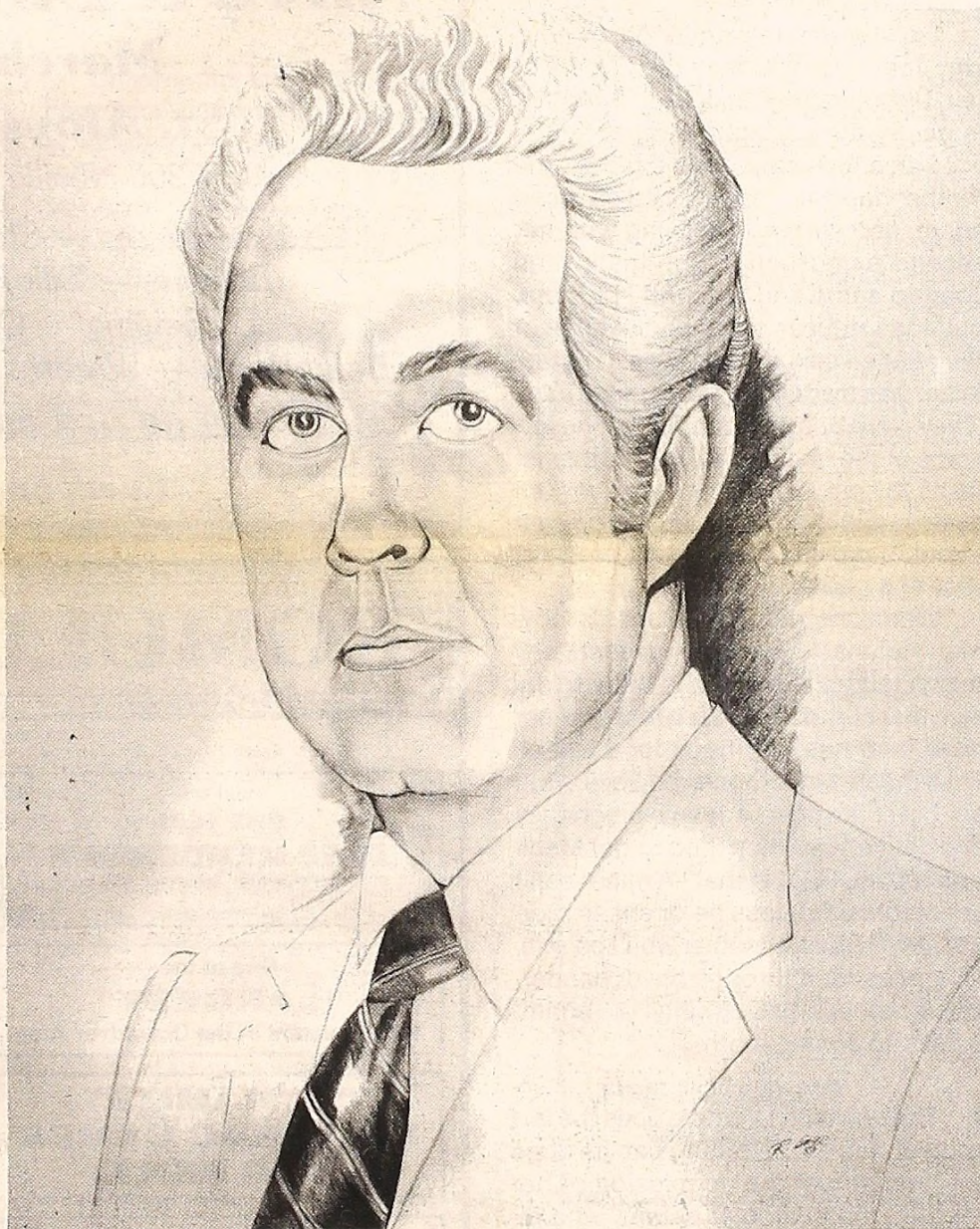
Mr. Bales says that his wife, Carol, a secretary at Wick Elementary School, is the force that has guided him through their 26 years of marriage.

Many of Bales' friends were on hand to reminisce about their association with him, including Romulus residents Ray Cianfarani, Bob Knight, and John Percy; Harry Jarold of Youngstown, one of Bales' co-workers; John Bales, Dan's brother from Wilmington, Delaware; and Tom Vernatt, who donated his time to act as D.J. for the event.

Additional entertainment was provided by the Romulus High School Jazz Band under the Direction of Mr. Henry James, and everyone was delighted by their excellent performance. Mr. James enjoys taking such excellent opportunities to give his band members all of the exposure and experience they can get.

Chamber President Jason Lovette served as the Master of Ceremonies, and the Rev. J. D. Landis gave the invocation.

Bales received various awards during the evening, including plaques from John Brimble (owner of Captain Nemo's and member of the Romulus Rotary), the Chamber of Commerce, and Michigan Governor James Blanchard (the Governor's plaque was presented by Representative James Kosteva, who brings you vital information concerning our state's legislature in every issue of this paper); a resolution of com-



Daniel R. Bales (Portrait drawn by Randy Gear)

mendation from the City of Romulus, which was presented by Mayor Beverly McAnally; and another resolution from the Romulus Board of Education, which was presented by fellow-Board-member Wilkerson.

Another highlight of the evening was provided by Councilman Randy Gear, who teaches art in the Detroit Public School System as well as serving on the Romulus City Council. Gear presented Bales with one of his drawings — a portrait of Bales which was an amazing likeness.

I want to give you a perspective on this remarkable man, but I could write for a week without giving you the in-

sight into the man that his short speech imparted. Here, then, is an excerpt of his speech. Please read it all: it's both touching and heart-warming.

Congratulations, Mr. Romulus!

I would like to talk about a man who was a great influence in my life, a man who could only be here in my memories. This is something I have done privately many times, though never in front of so many of my friends with my family present, especially the grandchildren who never really knew him. If I pass on this opportunity, I may never get another.

The last time we were together was Christmas Day in 1968, and my brother

and his wife were flying in for the holiday. It was a stormy day, and their plane was diverted to the Airforce base where there was a longer runway. As we drove the extra miles to the Airport, we had an opportunity to talk about values, responsibility, and all the great fishing trips we had as a family.

We were the envy of many of our friends. As soon as school was out, the car was loaded and we were gone fishing: Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, the Gulf of Mexico, Minnesota; and, somehow, he found time to get us to Niagara Falls, the Baseball Hall of Fame, Boston, New York and the Empire State Building, the Smoky Mountains, and down to the Nation's Capital so that we could learn about our American heritage. When we were home he was always there, and when the fish were biting, he would get his tackle box and fishing pole, and he would be off to the local fishing hole or to sit on some river bank. My brother and I never had to ask if we could go, for there was always a spot for us; there was no one he would rather go with than his two sons.

He instilled into us the value of people and family. He taught us that your most prized personal possession, and one you could take with you when you left this life, as he did, was your integrity.

I remember when he went out and got these coupons and ordered this little yellow rain jacket for the only grandson he would ever know. He was proud of that boy, and he would be even prouder if he could see him now. He would have been so proud of all of his grandchildren; he had a lot of love to share.

There was one thing I didn't tell him, and it troubled me for a long time; but he had planted a seed, and he knew, one day, it would grow, and that I would know what he already knew that Christmas Day. He was my best friend and he was my hero.

There is never a week that goes by that I don't think about him. I often find myself searching through the memories, still seeking his guidance.

At very special moments like this, through my faith, I feel his presence and I need to tell him, "I've made some mis-

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THE EDITOR'S OPINION

Girls in Trouble

by D. A. Atkins

We have laws to protect our children from acts such as physical and sexual abuse, but what about laws to protect children from themselves and from certain types of parents?

I have an interesting story to tell about two different girls; both are pregnant but, other than that, their problems are almost as different as night and day.

Let's call the first girl Joan. Joan is 16 years old, and comes from a broken home. Her parents were divorced some 14 or 15 years ago, and they have maintained hostile attitudes toward one another since then. Joan's mother says that Joan's father never paid child support; her father says he never paid it because he was denied his legal right to see his daughter. Every time the father would discover where the mother and his daughter were living, the mother would move without notifying him to keep him away.

It has only been recently that the father has re-entered his daughter's life, although it's now probably too late for him to be of much assistance. Joan is already pregnant, and needs more help — especially medical care for herself and her unborn child — than he can provide, especially since he is currently unemployed due to a layoff. He has tried to do what he can, but the laws that are supposed to protect young people actually are proving to be a hindrance to his efforts. The problem stems from the fact that he is not her legal guardian.

Joan's father is not the only one who has been prevented from helping

her because of our laws. The young man who is the father of her child would like to marry her, but cannot do so without her parent's permission, since she is under 18. Joan's father tried to sign the papers necessary for the two to marry, but was told he could not because he is not the custodial parent named in the divorce papers. (The Attorney General has rendered an opinion that only the custodial parent can give permission for a minor to marry.) Joan's mother refuses to give that permission, saying, "I don't want my daughter to make the same mistakes (an early marriage, and then an early divorce) I made when I was young."

I'm sure you're wondering, by now, why Joan's mother isn't taking care of her. Unfortunately for Joan, her mother is hardly the perfect maternal figure.

Since divorcing Joan's father, the mother has both married and divorced again, and currently is living with her second ex-husband. She has invited Joan to come and live with her there, but Joan refuses to do so because of the alleged sexual advances her stepfather has made toward her in the past. (They were one of the reasons she left home in the first place.) The mother refuses to help Joan unless Joan moves back in with her, and has made no attempt to provide her with the prenatal care she needs.

When the parents of Joan's boyfriend learned of her predicament, they took her into their home in order to ensure that she at least has a roof over her head, and has nutritious food to eat. Their health insurance, however, will not cover the cost of Joan's pregnancy and delivery, so they tried to get Medicaid for her. Guess what? A minor can't get Medicaid unless he or she is married (which Joan's mother won't permit), or applies for it through his or her parent (another impossibility — again, thanks to Joan's mother).

The question is, where does the law protect this girl? Nothing can be done for her without the permission of her mother, the custodial parent, who refuses to meet any of her responsibilities toward her daughter, yet won't let anyone else help Joan, either. Even worse, Joan's mother (who has already been convicted of one crime and served time in jail for it) is currently awaiting trial on charges of receiving stolen property, for which she could serve up to five years if convicted. What kind of help could she offer then, even if she was willing?

Does Joan have any rights? No one seems to know, at this point. In the meantime, the health and life of both her and her baby are at stake. She is against a brick wall with nowhere to go.

I wonder if the Attorney General would have the same opinion if his daughter was in the same position? □



Jasmine Marie Curcio

Little Jasmine Marie Curcio was born February 24, 1989, at Riverside Hospital in Trenton. She weighed seven pounds, three ounces, and measured 20½ inches.

Jasmine is the daughter of Jewel Peters and Dave Curcio of Romulus, and they, along with her grandparents, Kathryn Peters and Mr. and Mrs. Silverio Curcio (all of Taylor), welcome her into their family with open arms.

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Cosmetic Dentistry

by Rhonda J. Hennessy, D.D.S.

Cosmetic dentistry — what is it? What is bonding? These are questions that are often asked.

Teeth can be disfigured or discolored by early childhood illnesses, medications, or accidents. As we grow up and become more aware of these effects in the teeth, many of us desire to do something about it. There are many techniques available that can transform a smile: bonding, laminate veneers, bleaching, and crowns.

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Laminate veneers could be compared to false fingernails. They are a thin layer of porcelain that is bonded to the front surface of the tooth. (Some reduction of the tooth is required.) Laminate veneers usually require more than one visit. They last several years, and may have better color stability and strength than the conventional bonding.

Bleaching is used for discolored teeth only. It does not remove all stains, but it can be used to lighten teeth that were stained as a result of root-canal therapy or antibiotic therapy given during childhood. This process may require several visits to the dentist because the results are cumulative.

Laminate veneers, bleaching, and bonding are more conservative methods of restoring a smile than the traditional method of capping teeth with crowns.

Crowns are long-lasting artificial covers for the teeth. They can be made of various materials: acrylic, gold, porcelain, or a combination of metal and porcelain. A crown may be used when there is not enough tooth structure left to place a filling.

It doesn't matter whether your teeth have been less than ideal since childhood or whether they have recently been disfigured. Bonding and other advances in cosmetic dentistry can give you the smile you've always dreamed of. □

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by Murray A. Duncan, Jr., Attorney

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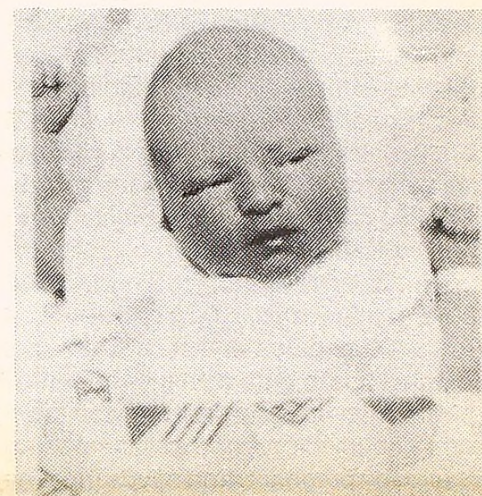
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Questions should be mailed to: Murray A. Duncan, Jr., 10000 South Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174. □

Brittany Ann Sparagowski

On February 11, 1989, at 4:56 p.m., Brittany Ann Sparagowski was born at Oakwood Hospital. She weighed seven pounds, 11 ounces, and measured 20¾ inches.

Brittany's parents, James Paul and Lynn Marie Sparagowski of Taylor, are proud of their new daughter, and her maternal grandparents, Chester and Jean Hastings of Taylor, and her paternal grandparents, James and Lucille Sparagowski of Romulus, also are pleased with her arrival.



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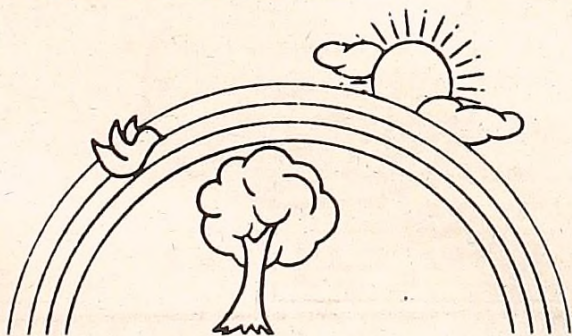
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Sick with the Soaps

by Tom Shamanski

Want a sure-fire, guaranteed way to beat the flu? Eat a lot more and the extra fat cells will buffer you against the winter's scourge. Of course, I'm telling you this because, for me this year, my pudgy method didn't work. I got fat and sick at the same time . . . just a flabby mass of tissue that couldn't walk for two days.

Waking in the morning, I was able to work my way downstairs, but that 30 seconds of brutal physical activity had me diving for the sofa, ready to finally sign my organ donor card and pass out. Sick? I have to confess: if there had been a priest nearby, I would have collared him for last rites!

But, with rest and plenty of chocolate shakes ("From Baskin-Robbins, if you please . . ."), a few days later, I was feeling near-human again, although still pajama-ed and house-bound. Becoming interested in TV, I thought I'd catch an afternoon movie like I did as a kid, feigning near-death to miss school and watch Bill Kennedy on Channel 9. (Do you remember those days? If so, best not admit it!)

Anyway, snuggling deeply into the sofa, pillows embracing me from top to toes, I covered myself with an old, comfy afghan and, with gleeful anticipation, picked up the remote and started channel-flipping. I was searching for Annette and Frankie frolicking with beachballs and Hula-hoops on an invit-

ing beach somewhere (sorry, folks, it's what I grew up with . . . I can't help it!)

So, I'm all set for the afternoon, right? Of course not. Within minutes, my sister, Judy, coming home from errands and such (without a chocolate shake, I noticed), immediately takes in what's happening, and stops short. Well, folks, civilization seems to be collapsing around us in bits and bites, and our house is no exception. Instead of a "Hi," or perhaps an "Are you feeling better, dear brother?" I got clobbered with "Where are my soaps?" Now, I knew what she was talking about, but, still, I wanted to say, "Have you tried looking in the laundry room?" Quickly, I discarded that notion, being in weakened condition and spotting smoke jetting from Judy's ears. Life is already too short.

Readjusting my pillows and anticipation, I watched soaps for a few hours. Now, perhaps you're thinking I'm about to launch into a series of soapy put-downs, but, actually, I really enjoyed what I saw. There was *The Young and the Restless*, *The Bold and the Beautiful*, and part of one other whose name escapes me. Not as a put-down, of course, but it does occur that the soap producers could easily conjure up more realistic titles. I mean, they're living and breathing on the same planet we are, right? So, what's wrong with *The Crude and the Clumsy*, or even *The Smelly and the Slovenly*? I know I'd sure fit in there, somewhere.

It's been years since I watched any soaps, and it seems most everything

about them has improved: settings are more realistic, dialogue more convincing, and, from where I sat, the leading ladies more beautiful. But, then again, perhaps my eyes are simply getting older. Naw . . .

One difficult thing, though, was trying to unravel each soap's personal relationships. For instance, who's married/separated/divorced to whom? And who's about to have whom's baby, and how is it they'll all end up cousins? And who the heck really killed John's second wife's paternal uncle's youngest son, and why didn't he or she kill his third daughter, instead, because she's mean and hateful, and deserves it anyway?

Hoping Judy would help me out with all this, I started asking some darn intelligent questions. At first, she was very patient, explaining this and that, until reaching a point where it became downright overwhelming, and she got confused. Tossing the remote in my direction, she got up, mumbled something about having a pain somewhere, and escaped to her room to watch her TV.

Me? I left the soaps behind (I could never figure out all that stuff, anyway) and, finding an old Elvis movie, promptly fell asleep. Looking back, though, it was a fun way to pass some time and I recommend it. But, if you're a novice like me, perhaps you should send away for the past 50 or so transcripts so you can catch the Dreft, not buck the Tide. □

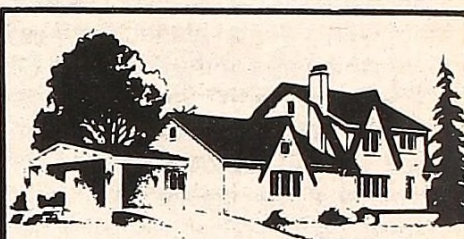
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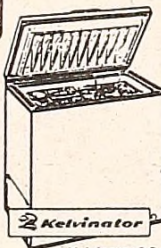
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Johnston Enlarging

by D. A. Atkins

The largest print shop in Romulus is expanding its capabilities to do more and better printing at a much faster pace.

Lorne Johnston, owner of Johnston Lithographics in Romulus, just purchased a new six-color press at an estimated cost of \$1.3 million. The press is the latest in high-tech printing, and can print six colors of ink in just one pass through the press (as opposed to, say, a two-color press, which requires the paper to be passed through three times in order to print six colors). According to Johnston, this will save many dollars in printing costs, both in paper-waste and actual man-hours on a finished job.

Johnston said he employs about 45 people, and usually is looking for part-time help in the company's bindery department.

Mr. Johnston has been in the printing business for over 25 years. He started out in his basement in another community, then moved to his present location in Romulus. That location didn't look then like it does now: the original building is still intact, but has been enlarged several times, and further expansion is planned for spring to allow more room for warehousing.

Johnston still works in the factory himself. He said that the old saying about getting ink in your blood must be true. Although he normally doesn't run any of the presses, he occasionally has to come to the aid of some of the 'skilled' people who get into trouble, and show them how it was done in the 'old days' so they can get the job done right.

Johnston does, however, like to tinker with repairing some of his older equipment, which means his hands are constantly greasy and ink-stained. "It keeps me in touch with things," he said.

Just recently, Johnston bought out

his two partners, and he is now the sole owner of Johnston Lithographics. Two of his sons, Keith and Kevin (identical twins), work for him. Keith is the general manager of the plant, giving quotes to prospective clients and seeing to it that the work is completed according to schedule. Kevin's job is to keep the company running by generating sales, for which he has exceptional talent: last year alone, Kevin was responsible for over \$1.5 million of the company's more than \$3 million in gross sales.

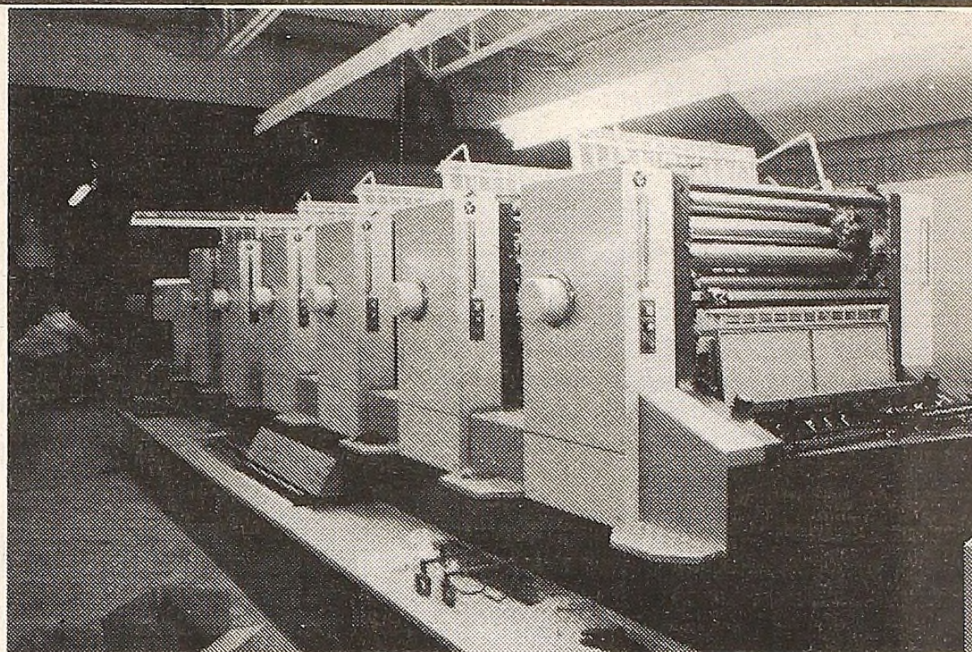
Johnston's third son, Kurt, is his father's partner in a firm which deals in auto leasing and car sales. Kurt also tried his hand at the printing business, but found that it just wasn't for him. That's okay, though, because his current venture has been a successful one for him.

All three boys are married, and Mr. Johnston thinks they're all model sons. Of course, the boys think their dad is a model father, and their mom is a model mother. The looks of the boys are unmistakable: the twins closely resemble their father, while Kurt is taller and thinner, and looks more like his mother.

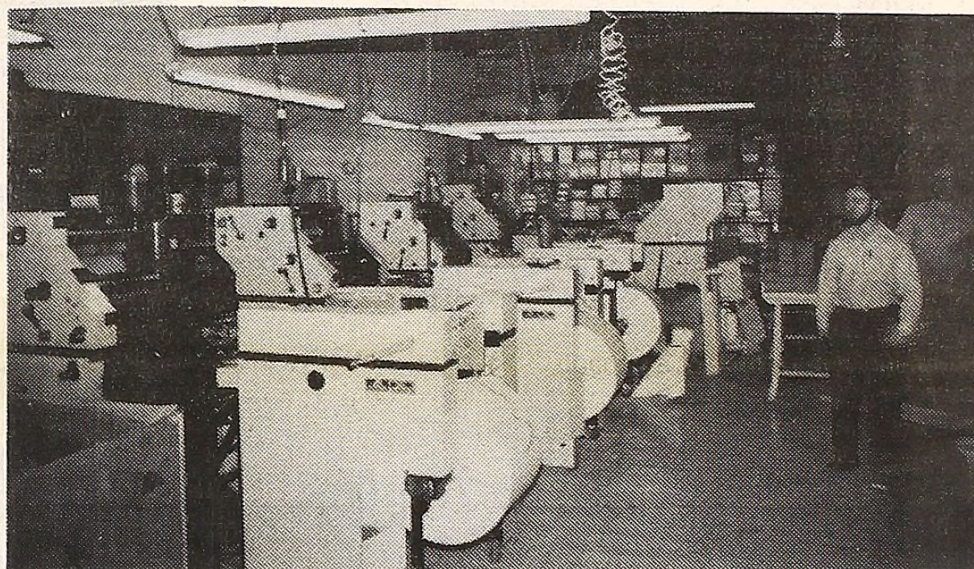
Jerry March, the general foreman, has been with Mr. Johnston for over 17 years, and has become the right hand of the Johnston family.

It's nice to see a Romulus firm doing so well, although it wasn't always peaches and cream for the Johnstons. Just as little as five or six years ago, the company had major problems because of a tight cash-flow, a problem which plagues many expanding businesses, especially those that began with virtually nothing the way the Johnston's business did. It was after his two sons left college to come to work for the company that everything turned completely around for them.

Great people to have in Romulus, those Johnstons! □



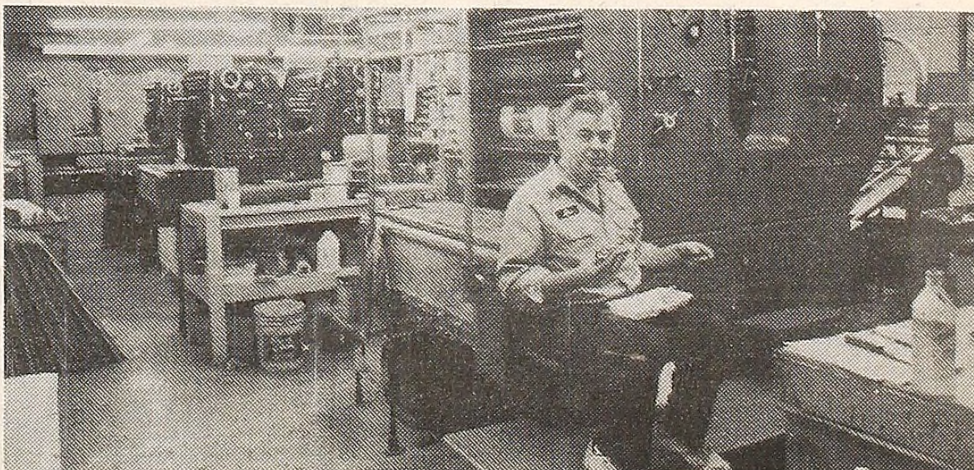
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Other color presses owned by Johnston have been used to print many color posters you may have seen, including those for Domino's Pizza.



Lorne Johnston — Life has not always been "peaches and cream."

Siren Warning System Initiated

by Margaret Leduc

The City of Romulus Public Safety Department will be initiating a siren warning system for hazards (tornados, chemical incidents, and nuclear attack), and will continue testing the sirens at 1 p.m. the first Saturday of each month.

Upon hearing a siren, go indoors, turn on the City Cable Station (Channel 40); Channels 2, 4, or 7; or the AM radio stations to be informed as to the nature of the problem.

In a chemical incident, you will be instructed to stay indoors, shut all windows and doors, and turn off your heating or cooling system. Stay turned to an AM radio or television station for further instructions or an all-clear message.

In chemical incidents, you may be instructed to leave your place of work and go home. If you live in the area, you will be instructed as to the area affected, which school to go to, and which streets to use.

At the school, you will be told when you can go home.

A tornado watch means that weather conditions are favorable for a tornado. If you hear this watch on TV or the radio, take precautions. Move small objects (like bikes and garbage cans) indoors, and know where all your family members are. Keep monitoring the weather on radio or television.

A tornado warning means a tornado has been sighted in the area; the sirens

will be sounded. Go indoors and turn on an AM radio station or the TV. Move to the predetermined shelter area in your house, building, or school.

No all-clear siren will be sounded; listen to the radio or television for all-clear information.

If a tornado hits in your area, shelters will be set up at the schools for families.

The sirens also will sound in case of a nuclear accident or attack. Again, go indoors and turn on an AM radio station or the TV. Instructions concerning what to do will be given — whether to shut doors and windows and stay indoors, or to evacuate. Information also will be provided concerning which roads to use and the availability of shelters.

Sirens are used to warn the public of hazardous conditions or incidents. The AM radio and TV stations provide specific information about the nature of the incident and what protective measures should be taken.

Thank you for your cooperation. □

News 'N' Views

The purpose of the News 'N' Views column is to provide Romulus citizens with an opportunity to express their opinions. These opinions are not necessarily those of The Romulus News.

An Open Letter to the Community
by Kathleen Conway, Project Director,

Romulus Adolescent Health Advisory Committee

For the past 18 months, the Romulus Adolescent Health Advisory Committee (RAHAC), with a grant from the Michigan Department of Public Health (MDPH), has been developing a plan for health services for Romulus teens. Last spring, we surveyed the junior and senior high school students and their parents as well as the teachers. We hosted parent meetings, a public forum and were the subject of numerous articles in local newspapers.

At the same time, a few people in the community have been attending most of our meetings and raising questions, all of which have been addressed and been answered honestly. All of the Committee's meetings are open to the public.

For the past six months, those citizens opposed to any of the Committee's efforts have become more vocal and are engaging in a campaign of distortion and misinformation. They have repeatedly filed Freedom of Information Act requests, often for information they already received or were told is readily available to them. They have called and written letters to other agencies and individuals using assumed names and posing as someone wanting to start a teen health center in Romulus, all, I assume, with hopes of catching those agencies in some wrongdoing. By mail, they have personally attacked a highly respected member of the Committee.

They have questioned the residency of Committee members, yet seek and

receive help from individuals and groups from outside Romulus. The fact is that, of the 23 official members of the RAHAC, 12 live in Romulus; of the remaining 11, five work in the schools and four directly work with Romulus teens. Mrs. Sonda Stepchuk, the RAHAC's most vocal critic, cannot say the same about Michael Quillan and Betty Lewis, who are helping her yet have no connection at all with this community and its teens.

Recently, the attacks turned especially ugly when I received an anonymous letter and a tape in the mail that referred to my two recent childbirth losses and suggested I should quit my job to "adopt children." The tape featured a woman singing about being a "barren woman." Clearly, the letter

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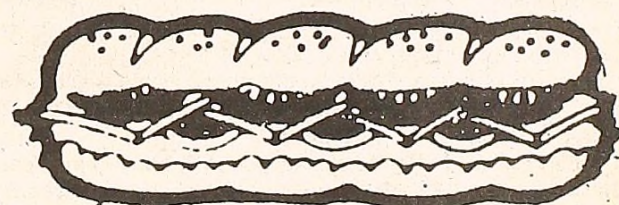
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Regular Meeting, January 23, 1989

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held Monday, January 23, 1989, was called to order by President Berlinn at 7:30 P.M.

Roll call showed Members Bales and King absent (both excused). All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Berlinn.

Approval of Agenda:

1/89/7 Moved by Wilkerson supported by Langley the Board of Education approve the Agenda as submitted by Dr. Bedell. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:

1/89/8 Moved by Patterson supported by Langley the Board approve the Minutes of January 9, 1989, as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public:

Ms. Stepchuk discussed AIDS Program.

Mr. Bird inquired about union negotiations status, and Dr. LeCesne responded.

Mr. Kruse gave Board Members an update on band activities.

Report of the Superintendent:

Personnel Actions

Dr. LeCesne recommended the following Personnel Actions for Board approval: **A. Leave of Absence - Extension:** Patricia Hebert, Teacher - Hayti, Health Leave, Eff. 1/30/89 - 8/31/89.

1/89/9 Moved by Patterson supported by Kesner the Board approve the Personnel Actions as presented by Dr. LeCesne. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

1/89/10 Moved by Patterson supported by Wilkerson the Board approve the Bills for Payment as submitted by Administrator Carr. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

WCISD Budget - Appointment of Rep

1/89/11 Moved by Patterson supported by Langley the Board appoint President Berlinn as representative and Member Kesner as alternate to attend the meeting on February 15, 1989, to take action on the WCISD Budget. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Appointment of Athletic Trainer

1/89/12 Moved by Patterson supported by Kesner the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Administration to contract with Sports & Preventive Medicine Corporation for athletic training services through June, 1990. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Appointment of WCISD Parent Advisory Rep

1/89/13 Moved by Langley supported by Patterson the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Rev. Thomas Anderson to the WCISD Parent Advisory Committee. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Belleville Parent Request - Student Exchange

1/89/14 Moved by Patterson supported by Kesner the Board grant approval for an Argentine foreign exchange student to attend Romulus Community Schools for Spring 1988-89 term. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Request to Take Bus Bids

1/89/15 Moved by Wilkerson supported by Langley the Board of Education authorize the Assistant Superintendent to seek bids for the following vehicles: Up to 10 - 66 passenger buses. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Travel Club Request - EPCOT Center

1/89/16 Moved by Patterson supported by Langley the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the High School Travel Club trip to EPCOT Center in Florida as per the request dated 1/12/89 presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. Bedell discussed the following Items of Interest with Board Members: 1) MAISL Insurance Report; 2) Article on Dan Bales; 3) WCASB Winter Conference; 4) Letter of "Thanks" - Fred Coleman; 5) Dearborn Article - TIFA; 6) Murphy Memo - Community Ed. Admin.; and 7) Fall Gate Receipts.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Members discussed the Partners Program, complimenting Mr. Ed Clark for the tremendous job he's done. Member Langley commented that Hudson's is interested in the program.

Executive Session - Negotiations

1/89/17 Moved by Kesner supported by Langley the Board convene in Executive Session for purpose of Negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 8:19 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 9:18 P.M.

Adjournment:

1/89/18 Moved by Langley supported by Patterson the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel R. Bales, Secretary

Romulus Board of Education

March Madness Invades Romulus!

by Fred Coleman

The Romulus Varsity Basketball Program finished the regular season with five straight victories, moving its season record to a solid 12-8.

"Considering our tough schedule," stated Coach Dan Henry, "our players did a super job. Our schedule really prepared us for the State Tournament and I hope we will have good success because of it."

The schedule seems to be doing its magic, as the Eagles dominated

Taylor Kennedy behind the excellent play of Diya Muhammed and Grayam Scott. The final score was 58-53, but the outcome never seemed to be in doubt.

"We didn't play very well against Kennedy," added Coach Henry, "but our front line took control of the rebounding in the second half and we worked out all of our jitters for the victory. We're sure to get better from here on."

Better is just the word for Wednesday's game with Belleville (ranked number 15 in the State). In fact, "much better" may be more appropriate. After

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having lost to Belleville at the beginning of the season in a game the Eagles should have won, they came out like a team "possessed" and took control of this game from beginning to end (68-63).

"Belleville kept coming back," said Dan, "and we knew they would. They have an excellent team and coach (Mike Garland), and we were well aware that it was going to take a total effort to win this game."

The Eagle guards made the difference in this contest, with Arol Trinity (20 points) and Virgil Davis (17 points) controlling the offense as well as putting pressure on Belleville's guards, causing numerous turnovers in the contest. The great defense also prevented the Tigers from getting the ball to Maurice Brantley (17 points). The three seniors up front did an excellent job on the boards against Belleville, with Eric Lightsey leading the way with eight rebounds. Grayam Scott and Diya Muhammed followed with seven each. The makings of a great team are found in how well the bench contributes to victory, and this game proved that theory.

"Grayam, Diya, and Eric played great against Belleville. We really only gave them one shot most of the time," added Coach Henry, "but all three fouled out and the balance of the game fell on the shoulders of juniors Kelvin Brown, Larry Perkins, and Eric Robertson. These three young men played hearts out and this "total" team effort is what led to this tremendous victory. This was, no doubt, the biggest victory in my coaching career, and what makes it so nice is that it was a total team effort."

Taylor Truman will play the Eagles in the finals after their easy victory over Southgate Anderson (61-48).

"This is a re-match of last year's District Championship, in which the Cougars were the victors. We plan to change the results this year," Henry stated.

Change the results they did!

In one of the best games played in our gymnasium this season, the Eagles were victorious over the Cougars of Taylor Truman by a score of 61-58.

Once again, Virgil Davis was outstanding at controlling the tempo of the game, and his outstanding shooting from the three-point range (going five for seven) gave him 18 points and the compliments of his coach.

"Virgil was definitely the key to our success in the second half, but I don't want to take away from the other guys. Grayam Scott may have played his best game of the year, and Eric Lightsey was solid all game," said Henry.

Also contributing to the victory were Arol Trinity and Diya Muhammed, both of whom had key baskets for the Eagles down the stretch.

The play of the game was obviously the shot by senior Marshall Newsome (16 points), made with only 15 seconds remaining. Diya Muhammed pulled down the rebound and gave the outlet pass to Virgil Davis. With seven seconds remaining, Ken Fisher fouled Eric Lightsey and Eric went to the line with Romulus trailing 58-57.

"Foul shooting has been our biggest problem all year," said Coach Henry. "Maybe it's fitting that we won this game at the line. People in the stands cannot imagine how difficult it is to make these shots. The ball feels like a shot-put. Eric went to the line with as much confidence as any young man I have seen in that situation, and made both of them."

Truman brought the ball up the court but threw an errant pass that Grayam Scott intercepted. The ball went up-court quickly to Diya Muhammed, who "slammed" the game's final two points with one second left, and the Eagles celebrated their revenge District Championship victory over the Cougars.

"The Basketball angel was on our side tonight. I'm not sure why Newsome shot the ball, but I sure am glad he did. Taylor Truman played with a lot of class and Newsome and guard Trevor Wormley are two of the best players in this area, no doubt. I'm real happy for these guys. They have worked very hard to get this victory, and all I can hope is that we can continue to play the way we are playing now for just five more games," concluded Henry.

The Eagles now play in the Regionals at Willow Run High School. The first game will be Tuesday night against League-rival Ann Arbor Huron. Information about when and who we play from this point on can be obtained by calling 941-3414.

Good luck, Eagles. Can we repeat 1986? Let's hope so! □

Romulus Volleyball Wraps Up!

by Fred Coleman

The Romulus Volleyball Program closed its 1988-89 season with two outstanding finishes in the Mellus Downriver Class held at Lincoln Park High School.

The Junior Varsity team won the J.V. Tournament by putting away Lincoln Park in the Finals. The six victories in the Tournament brought the team's season record to 40-5, a new school J.V. record for Romulus Athletics.

Four sophomores, Renee Bitner, Brooke Hammers, Susan Molenda, and Angie Slawinski, all played vital parts in this outstanding season and are finishing the season with the Varsity team.

The returning freshmen, led by Heide Bussard, Jennifer McClure, and Charmaine Smith, will be the nucleus

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for a solid program next season for Coach Dennis Stoh.

The Eagle Varsity team also played super volleyball in the "Classic," but, once again, ran up against tenth-ranked Trenton High School in the semifinals.

"Our girls played great all day," stated Coach Gail Coleman, "but when you play Trenton, great may not be enough. They have the best talent in this area, no doubt. This is by far the most athletically talented team I have had to work with. Most of our team records were broken this year, and some of the numbers may never get broken in the future."

The future does look bright for the Eagles, but their 39 wins and only 13 losses on the season is a record for not only Volleyball, but for the total Varsity Athletic Program, and that record could stand for some time.

The Eagles were led by a very solid group of seniors all year: Laurie Berlinn, Mikki DiBenedetto, Julie Machinski, and Kim Picciano. These girls have been invaluable to the Program for four years, and all will be missed tremendously.

The future's bright spots are the underclassmen who will be returning next year. Sophomore Michele Scarrow broke several individual records this season, as did sophomore Jennifer Daniel. Jennifer was named to the All-Tournament First Team at the Mellus Classic for her fine defensive play and consistent setting talents for the day, and both of these young ladies, combined with our seniors, are possible All-League and All-Area selections for the outstanding season they have had.

"My two sophomore starters this year have made a big difference in our play, no doubt," added Coleman, "and when you combine these two with Stacy Cowens, Susan Hamel, and Chris Stratton as our senior leadership and front-line hitters next season, we should be pretty successful. We will also have the four J.V. girls who have a lot of talent, and our other sophomore Varsity player, Tammy Trubilowicz. Tammy has been a solid back-line player for us all year, but I expect her to join Chris, Susan, and Stacy as front-line players next season."

With 79 wins and only 18 losses for the total Program this season, things sure look good for the next couple of years.

Congratulations to Coaches Gail Coleman, Michele Plonka, and Dennis Stoh on a fine 1988-89 season, and best of luck in next year's play. □

Volleyball Districts

For the second straight year, Romulus High School hosted the Girls State Volleyball Districts, and the games played were possibly the best volleyball matches that our gymnasium has ever seen.

In the first round, our Romulus Eagles went up against South Central Conference (SCC) Champion and District Runner-up Adrian. Even though graduating seniors Laurie Berlinn and Mikki DiBenedetto played solidly and sophomore standouts Jennifer Daniel and Michele Scarrow both served and hustled their tails off, it just wasn't enough to "do in" the outstanding Maple team. Adrian put away our Eagles (15-7, 15-6).

Adrian then went on to defeat Plymouth Salem by scores of 15-3 and 15-7 in the semifinals. Meanwhile, Wayne Memorial was putting away Westland John Glenn (15-2, 15-11), setting up the best final game that our tournament, and possibly our gymnasium, has ever had.

With the lead changing back and forth from Adrian to Wayne on 11 different occasions, the final outcome was Wayne Memorial 16, Adrian 14.

"This was one of those games that wore you out watching it," stated Tournament Director Fred Coleman. "I guess I have to say I was pulling for Adrian, only because their team represented our league, but the Wayne team is very talented and their coach is a Romulus teacher (Ann Kolnity), so one part of me wanted them to win, also. This is one of those occasions when neither team deserved to lose, but that's what athletics are all about."

Wayne Memorial goes on to its Regional next Saturday beginning at 2 p.m. in the Wayne Field House.

"Our girls wrapped up their season today with a very difficult loss," concluded Coleman, "but I hope they are proud of this team. I've been watching volleyball here every year for 15 years and I have never seen a better team. There were student-athletes whom, I hope, will never forget the 1988-89 season. Their parents should be proud of these girls, as should the school and the community, not only for their accomplishments (39 victories and only 14 defeats), but also for the class they showed while representing our school and community. As Athletic Director, I truly believe it will be difficult for our future teams to live up to the standards that these young ladies set down this season, and I want all of them to know how proud I am to have been able to watch and enjoy the 1988-89 Volleyball team at work this year. Best of luck to all the seniors (we will miss you) and underclassmen. Please keep the tradition and work ethic of this year's team alive next season."

Thanks for a great '88! □

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Local Teen Competes in Pageant



Romulus resident Richelle Ketland will be competing in the state-level Miss T.E.E.N. (Teens Encouraging Excellence Nationally) Pageant, which will be held July 25 through 27 in Battle Creek. She is a 17-year-old junior at Romulus High School, where she maintains a 3.0 GPA.

In her spare time, Richelle likes to spend time with her friends and boyfriend, and helps her godmother, Rose Means, who is handicapped.

In order to cover the \$395 cost of their room, meals, and other expenses during the competition, the contestants

seek individuals, businesses, and organizations to sponsor them. Sponsors can contribute anywhere from \$25 up to the entire \$395 fee, and their donation is tax deductible. They also receive a certificate of appreciation, an advertising listing in the Pageant Program, a 25% discount on any additional advertising they may choose to run, and, most of all, the satisfaction of knowing they have helped a young person to strive toward a worthwhile goal. The deadline for sponsorship is March 10; please call 941-4751 if interested. □



The Social Studies Department, headed by Mr. Michael Zaher, sponsored half-day field trips to the Tuskegee Airmen Open House at Historic Fort Wayne during the week of February 13-17. The Open House included a Careers Day for high-school students, and members of the Detroit Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen provided tours of their aviation museum and spoke to the students about their experiences during training in Tuskegee, Alabama, and aerial combat over Nazi Germany. The Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., is a patriotic organization consisting of veterans of the Army Air Corps' all-Black squadrons. The Detroit Chapter's members include Detroit Mayor Coleman Young and prominent Romulus citizen Mr. John G. Roundtree. (Submitted by Timothy H. Marvin, CDR USN [Ret])

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and tape were intended to harass and intimidate me.

What all this means is that the task of the Advisory Committee — to help the teens in Romulus — is being clouded by distortion. These people seek to divert attention away from the identified problems of substance abuse, mental health, child sexual abuse, and the lack of basic medical care and focus attention very narrowly on issues related to sexual activity. They have put forward misinformation about what the Committee can, and will, do on that issue. They say "don't do anything" and ignore the very real problems of the city's teens.

Just what are the facts? Very simply they are these:

1. The MDPH has given the Committee two consecutive planning grants to develop teen health services. No money has been awarded to provide direct services, nor is the Committee doing so.

2. Teen health services funded by the Health Department have strict guidelines to meet and must also adhere to current law. IF the community decides to open a teen health center, there is only one required service: physical exams for Medicaid patients. All other services offered are chosen by each community's Advisory Committee based on the identified needs.

3. Family planning services are NOT required to be provided in a teen health center. The community decides what, IF ANY, family planning services would be provided. No dispensing, distributing or prescribing of birth control drugs or devices is allowed in a teen health center that is on school property. No abortions, abortion counseling or abortion referrals are allowed in a teen health center regardless of its location. And no teen can be referred to any agency if that agency does abortions.

4. No teen can be treated at a teen health center if a signed, validated parent consent form is not on file in the center. If a teen came in and wanted treatment and there was no form on file, he/she would be given a form to take home to be signed and would not be treated until it was returned and verified that the signature is the parent's. Each local community develops its own parent consent form and policy.

5. No one has ever come onto the Advisory Committee as a member without being invited. In fact, all of those opposing our efforts have been invited to become members.

6. An Advisory Committee would run the teen health center, and, if it is in the school, the School Board would have the final say in programs, services and policies.

There are two challenges I would like to make:

1. To the community, to all parents, to city officials and others: do not allow distortions to cloud the issue. Make your decision about what, if any, services ought to be provided based on truth and on a sensitive look at what kids need. Look at the facts, and not the distortions, to make a decision. And do not allow a very small, vocal minority to speak for you.

2. To those opposing the Committee's efforts to help the teens: I hope that if you are successful in derailing the efforts of the RAHAC that each of you is prepared to step into the leadership to develop something in Romulus that will help the teens with their very real problems.

In early April, the RAHAC will go to the School Board with its recommendation to establish a teen health center in the high school. It will be the School Board's decision whether or not to accept that recommendation. You have an exciting opportunity to fashion a program for teens that will demonstrate *your* concern for their future.

I urge this community to allow the facts and the truth to guide you. If the

problems are ignored and the issues are allowed to be blurred with distortion and misinformation, the losers, in the end, will be the kids. □

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takes, but everything is okay."

I dedicate this honor that you have given my family to his memory: to the man who, in those early years, plowed the ground and planted the seeds for his two sons, knowing that, one day, they would grow; to the man that, through his infinite wisdom, along with my mother, on so many Sunday mornings, loaded the family into the car and took them to church, knowing that fulfillment in life came by living your life with Christian values and faith in God.

This is a man who never owned a new car until he was 60 years old, never had a home he could call his own until he retired, and yet, if the measurement for success in life is happiness, my dad was the most successful man I have ever known.

If he could be here, he would be very proud of his son — both of his sons and their families. Somewhere out there tonight, he has a smile on his face.

Gone, but not forgotten, heroes are forever.

Thanks, Dad, for the memories. □



Joshua Roy Moyer

Tom and Janet Moyer of Romulus are proud to announce the birth of their new son, Joshua Roy Moyer. Joshua was born on February 4, 1989, at 8:10 p.m., at Wyandotte Hospital. He measured 21½ inches, and weighed eight pounds, five ounces.

Joshua's maternal grandparents are Roy and Inge Jakeway of Romulus, and his paternal grandparents are Jim and Judy Huffman of Dearborn Heights and Louie Moyer of Melvindale.

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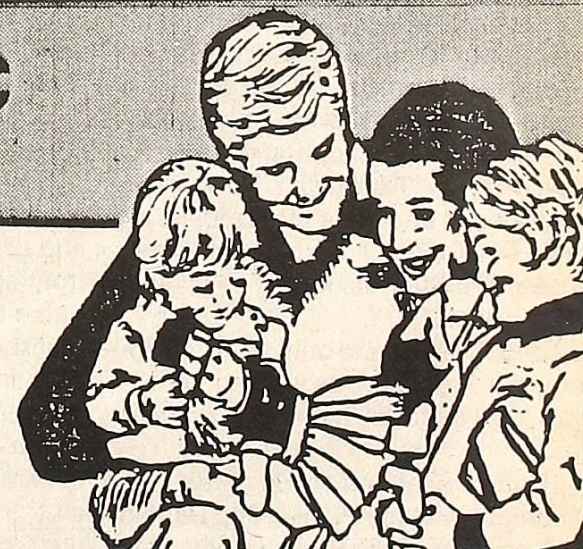
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Types of Headaches

All of us suffer from an occasional headache; in fact, 20 million Americans see their doctors each year because of headaches. Although headaches can be very uncomfortable and temporarily disabling, most are not associated with serious illness and can be relieved by resting in a quiet room or by taking a nonprescription painkiller, such as aspirin or acetaminophen. Some types of headaches, however, may require stronger prescription medications, and others are warning signs to seek immediate medical attention. These warning signs include:

- Severe, sudden headaches that seem to come on like a 'bolt out of the blue.'
- Headaches accompanied by loss of consciousness, alertness or sensation; confusion; visual blurring, or other neurological changes.
- Recurrent headaches affecting one particular area, such as an eye, temple, etc.
- Recurrent headaches of increasing intensity or frequency.
- Headaches accompanied by neck stiffness and fever.
- Headaches that wake you up.
- Any unexplained change in the nature or frequency of headaches.

Tension Headaches

The most common headaches are those associated with tension or muscle contractions and are directly related to stress. The pain tends to be steady and dull rather than throbbing. It is usually felt in the temples, forehead, neck or back of the head. Sometimes the pain seems to encircle the head like a tight band. Tension headaches may occur at any time, but are most commonly experienced during periods of stress or worry.

Treatment involves relieving the tension through massage, heat, a hot shower, relaxation techniques or any activity that puts aside the worries of the moment. Nonprescription painkillers, such as aspirin or acetaminophen, may also help. For severe muscle tension headaches, other slightly more potent drugs may be prescribed. These drugs may cause drowsiness and slow reflexes and should be taken with caution by people who work with machinery or drive. Most doctors also recommend that such medication be used for only short periods of time (not more than a few days).

Migraine Headaches

Migraine headaches vary from person to person, but typically they are

throbbing headaches affecting one side of the head. They are often accompanied by a number of other symptoms, which also vary according to individual cases. Some people have very little head pain but suffer from distorted vision and hearing or feelings of intense anxiety. Others may suffer from incapacitating pain lasting for several days. Most migraine patients fall between these two extremes.

Many people are warned of an impending migraine attack by bizarre distortions of size, position, time and place — the so-called 'Alice in Wonderland syndrome.' Others see flashing lights or bright colors in unusual shapes. Nausea; vomiting; chills; fever; dizziness; diarrhea; abdominal, arm or leg pain, and sensitivity to light are still other symptoms that may accompany a migraine.

Regardless of the differing symptoms, all migraine headaches are related to changes in the blood vessels of the head and neck. This is why they are often referred to as vascular headaches. Early warning symptoms of a migraine are thought to be caused by a narrowing of these blood vessels, while the head pain is believed to be a result of the subsequent expanding or dilating of the vessels. What causes these changes is unknown, although many researchers now believe that chemicals produced in the body that act on the blood vessels may be responsible.

Triggering Factors

Dozens of factors appear to trigger a migraine in susceptible individuals; again, these vary from person to person. Common precipitating factors include hormonal changes, particularly those associated with menstruation or use of birth control pills; sudden changes in the weather or temperature; emotional factors; certain foods or additives, especially the preservatives in cured meats, monosodium glutamate (MSG), or caffeine, chocolate, cheese and corn products; drugs; glaring lights; strong odors, and cigarette smoke. Avoiding these triggering factors can solve the problem for many people. Others, however, may require further treatment.

Treating Migraine

Unfortunately, there is no cure for migraine headaches, although most can be controlled through avoiding triggering factors and by drugs and other therapies. Over-the-counter analgesics may help some migraine patients, especially children, but most adult sufferers require additional or alternative medications. The most successful treatments are those that either prevent an attack or stop it in its earliest stages. Ergotamine or drugs

related to ergot derivatives may be prescribed to be taken at the first warning signs of a migraine. These drugs constrict or narrow the arteries, thus relieving the pain from the expanded cranial vessels. They should not be taken by people who have hardening of the arteries, high blood pressure, angina, coronary disease or other circulatory problems; severe infections, or disorders of the kidney or liver. And since they narrow the blood vessels, these medications should be used with caution by anyone who will be exposed to the cold, which further reduces blood flow to the arms and legs.

Another treatment involves taking a beta-blocking drug, which prevents the expanding of the cerebral arteries and thus prevents migraine attacks. Since these drugs slow the rate of heartbeats, they are often contraindicated for heart patients. They also should not be used by people with asthma or diabetes.

Only a doctor can determine whether a particular prescription drug is indicated for individual migraine cases. If a prescription is given, it is important to use the drug only as directed.

Cluster Headaches

Cluster headaches are a rare variant of migraine, which strike several times in rapid succession. They are most often experienced by men and are extremely painful. The drugs used to treat a migraine are often prescribed for administration early in an attack; therefore, they are often administered by injection or suppository to allow the medication to enter the bloodstream rapidly.

Sinus Headache

Sinus headaches are associated with a swelling of the membranes lining the sinuses (spaces) of the nasal passages. The pain tends to be dull and may shift if the head is moved in a certain way. Sinus headaches may be relieved by simple painkillers or, in some cases, a decongestant to relieve the swelling.

Summing Up

The vast majority of headaches are not medically serious. Most can be controlled by the use of simple medications and by altering habits or life style, as in the case of frequent tension headaches.

... And the Chiropractic Viewpoint

This ninth of a series of articles on Chiropractic medicine is reprinted from Pain, Headaches, & Stress by Chester A. Wilk, D.C., P.C., and was submitted by Dan Elwart, D.C.

There are two major types of headaches with which chiropractors concern themselves. These are the vascular or 'migraine' type, and the stress or 'tension' type.

The next time you have a headache, run your fingers gently down the back of your skull toward your neck. As your fingers drop just below the skull where it articulates with the neck, you will note a shallow depression on either side. This is called the suboccipital area. It is one of the key areas that become painful and subluxated when headaches occur and needs to be 'adjusted.' Nerve root irritation at this level may affect the cervical cutaneous nerves which extend upward and forward toward the eyes.

A headache is a signal to a patient that his or her body is not well, and simply removing the symptom is not the solution. It could be something that the patient is eating or something that is 'eating' him/her. Stress and tension are key factors. The headaches may be signals to 'slow down' their lifestyle. They may be associated with eye strain; systemic infection; infection of the eye, ear, nose, or throat; high blood pressure; tumors; and toxic inhalants or ingestants, among others.

Taking aspirin and ignoring these important signals could prove dangerous since they lull individuals into a false sense of security while pushing themselves beyond reasonable limits. It is advice well taken to consult with a chiropractor when having headaches to seek out the cause or causes and eliminate them. Chiropractic offers a safe and effective treatment for some headaches that is unparalleled anywhere in the health-care field. Chiropractors will readily refer patients to other health-care providers if, after proper diagnosis, such a referral is deemed appropriate. □

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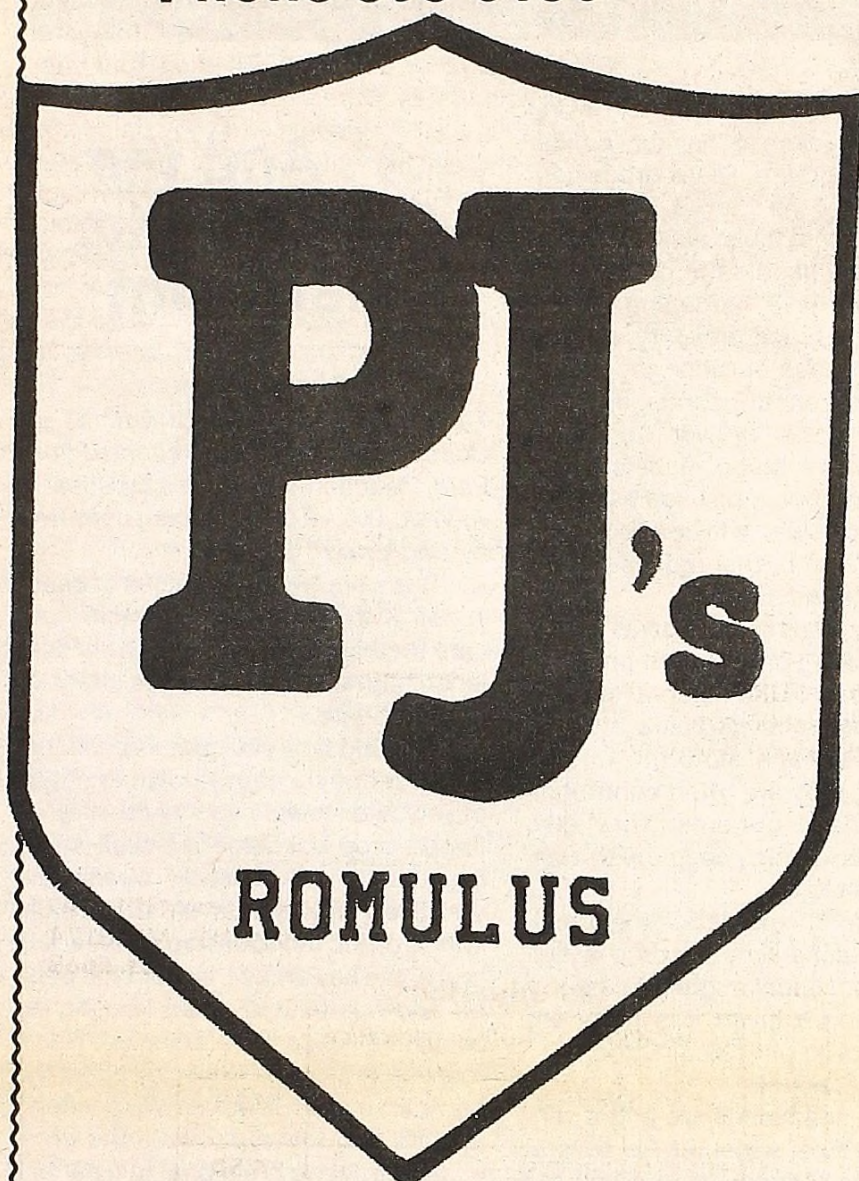
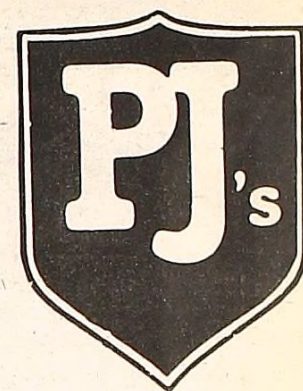
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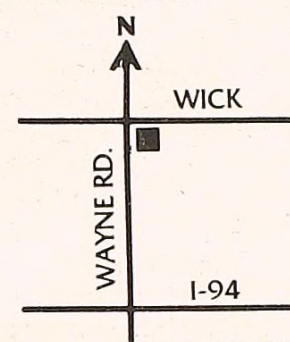
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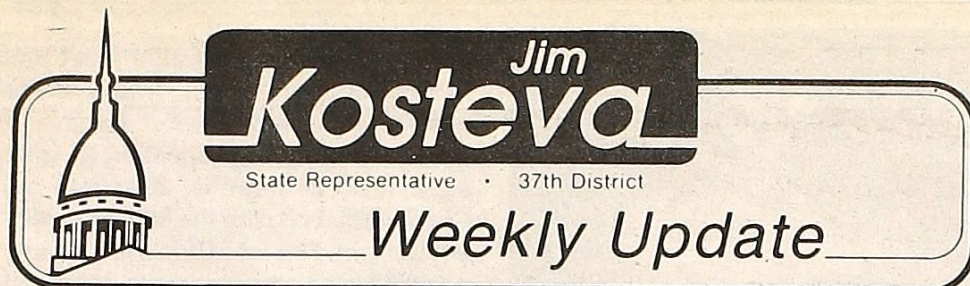
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Weekly Update

by James Kosteva, State Representative,
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Lawmakers Hear Governor's Proposals

In his seventh State of the State address, Governor James Blanchard unveiled a number of new proposals to Michigan lawmakers. He called for increased training programs to replace welfare for individuals age 18 to 25; a 10-year plan to change the way children are taught in public schools; expansion of the Michigan Education Trust to include out-of-state children and establishment of a MET grant program for underprivileged children; new laws that would impose stiffer penalties on polluters; measures to allow working parents to set aside money for child-care expenses; and new programs to guarantee down-payments for participating first-time home buyers and to improve Michigan's air-travel service throughout Michigan.

House Lawmakers Review Budget

Legislators are studying the proposed 1989-90 State budget presented by the administration last week. The plan includes a general fund budget of just under \$7 billion for the fiscal year beginning October 1, which is an increase of two-and-a-half percent in State spending over this year's budget.

Proposed Measures Would Strengthen Civil Rights

House lawmakers are considering bills that would strengthen civil-rights guarantees of equal pay for comparable work. Under the measures, an employer in Michigan would have to provide equal compensation for work of comparable value without regard to the worker's race, religion, age, sex, height, weight, marital status, or handicap that was unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a job.

Michigan May Pull Out of Radioactive Waste Compact

Plans to locate a regional low-level radioactive waste dump in Michigan have been halted as State officials and lawmakers urge correction of flaws in

Federal laws dealing with the handling of nuclear material. Under the Federal law, Michigan was required to participate in the Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact, which chose Michigan as the host state for the proposed dumps. Under the compact's current language, Michigan is responsible for maintenance costs as well as insuring the site against possible liability. State officials want to see Federal action that would provide for the absorption of these costs by all the states in the seven-state compact, before the dump siting process continues.

Measure Introduced to Control Sale of Anabolic Steroids

It would be tougher to illegally make or sell anabolic steroids in Michigan under legislation that has been proposed in the House. The measure would increase the penalty for the illicit possession of the potentially harmful muscle-building drugs from a misdemeanor to a felony. It would also increase the penalty for the 'black-market' sale of steroids to minors. Supporters of the bill say that, while anabolic steroids can increase muscle mass, their benefit is greatly outweighed by side-effects which may include heart damage, stunted growth, aggressive or schizophrenic behavior, and damage to reproductive organs.

Bill Would Improve Breast Screening

Legislation which would improve mammogram screenings was recently introduced in the House. The five-bill package would require radiologic technologists performing mammograms to be licensed by the State, and establish quality standards for the machines and facilities where screenings are performed.

Engaged

On February 14, 1989, Violet Gegaj of Allen Park announced her engagement to John Paul Kuzmish of Romulus.

Violet is the daughter of Tom and Olga Gegaj, of 9385 Vine in Allen Park,

and John's parents are John and Shirley Kuzmish, of 9250 Washington, Romulus.

The wedding date has been set for June 24, 1989. A reception at Roma Hall will follow the ceremony.

Obituaries

Marian C. Berlenn

Marian C. Berlenn, wife of the late Kenneth E. Berlenn, Sr., died March 2, 1989. She was 77 years old.

Marian was the beloved mother of Kenneth E. Berlenn, Jr., who is the current President of the Romulus Board of Education; Donald T. Berlenn of Texas; and Allen R. Berlenn of Indiana. She is also survived by her brother, Donald G. Fair of Belleville, 12 grandchildren, and six great grandchildren. One of her granddaughters, Laurie Berlenn, is a frequent columnist for the School Sports section of *The Romulus News*.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 6, at Crane Funeral Home, Romulus, with Father Alexander Wytrowski of St. Stephen's Catholic Church, New Boston, officiating; Marian was interred at Michigan Memorial Park.

Carrie Capretz

On March 3, 1989, Carrie Capretz of Wayne (a former resident of Romulus for 14 years) died in Belleville. She was 76 years old.

Carrie, the wife of the late LaVerne Capretz, is survived by sons Melvin R. Warfield of Wayne and Gene Burns of

Florida; daughters Mrs. Wilbur (Norma) Cooper of Florida, Mrs. Charles (Phyllis) Hardesty of Indiana, Mrs. Loretta Blair of Florida, and Mrs. Fred (Shirley) Pinkstaff of Indiana; 20 grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 6, at Crane Funeral Home in Romulus, with the Rev. J.D. Landis of Community United Methodist Church, Romulus, officiating. Ferndale Cemetery in Riverview was the site of her interment.

Derwood "Doe" Bower

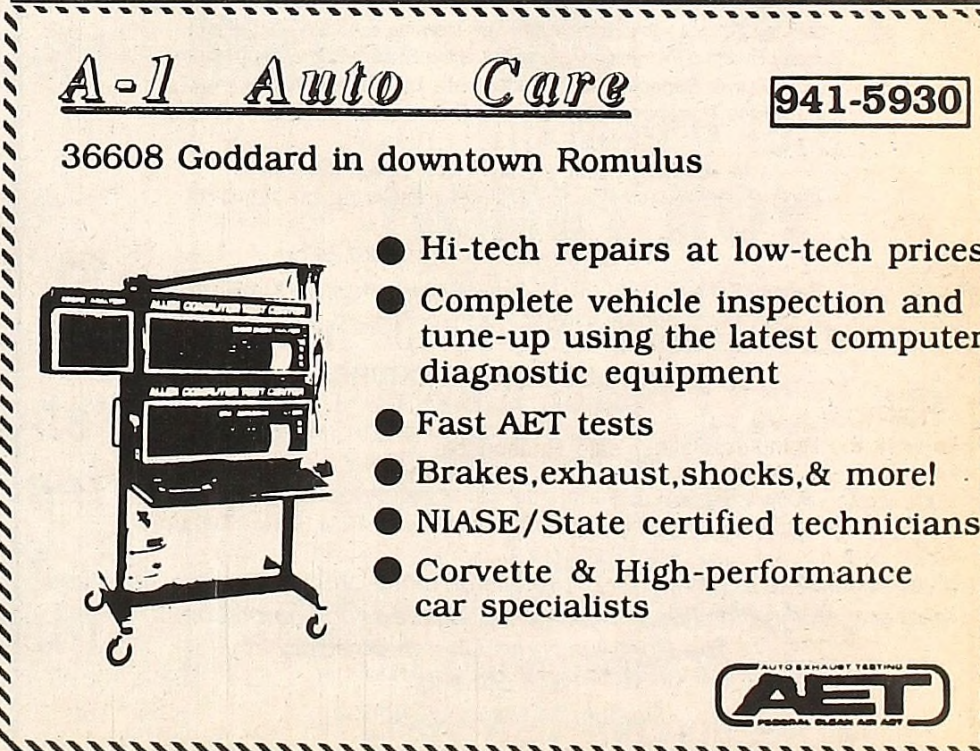
Derwood "Doe" E. Bower, a former Romulus resident who had moved to Westland, died March 6, 1989, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Superior Township. He was 77 years old.

Doe is survived by his wife, Beatrice M. Evans; his daughters, Mrs. James (Wanda) Graf and Mrs. Audrey Siebert (both of Florida); his siblings, Leonard "Butch" Bower of Romulus, George Bower of Tecumseh, Willard Bower of Romulus, Mrs. Robert (Floretta) Robson of Belleville, and Mrs. Melvin (Florence) Blausey of Arizona; three grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

Funeral services for the Romulus Volunteer Fire Department retiree (23 years of service) will be held Friday, March 10, at 2 p.m. at Crane Funeral Home, Romulus, with the Rev. Marvin Hawbaker of Calvary Baptist Church, Romulus, officiating. The site of interment will be Romulus Cemetery.



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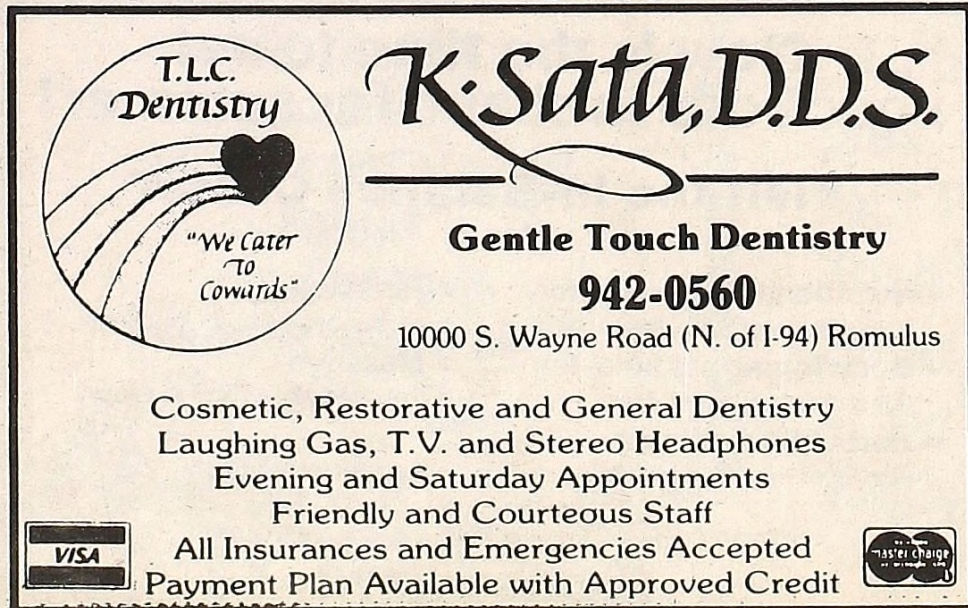


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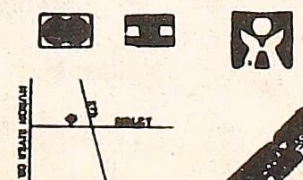
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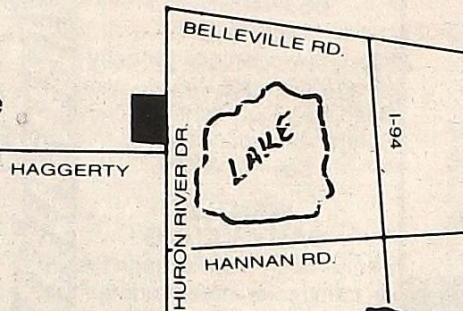
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T-Bone Steak	3.99 lb.
Slab Bacon	1.19 lb.
Sliced Bacon	1.29 lb.
Center Cut Pork Chops	1.79 lb.
Pork Steaks	1.59 lb.
Smoked Ham Hocks	1.09 lb.
Chicken Legs w/backs attached49 lb.
	Limit 10 lbs.
Split Chicken Breasts	1.99 lb.

— FRESH FISH —

Bass Fillets	Reg. 2.99	Sale 1.99	lb.
Whiting Fillets	Reg. 1.89	Sale 1.49	lb.
Smoked Salmon	Reg. 9.99	Sale 6.99	lb.
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Coho Salmon Chunks		2.00	lb.
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4 Piece Chicken Dinner (2 Thighs and 2 Legs)	4.99
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Cod Sandwich and French Fries	1.99
Bass Sandwich and Cup of Clam Chowder	2.50
Pork Chop Sandwich	1.99
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